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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

In the Matter of

ALICE D. NOVITT, D.M.D.

Administrative Action

Licensed to Practice Dentistry: in the State of New Jersey :

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon the receipt of a patient complaint from B.A. concerning dental treatment performed by Alice D. Novitt, D.M.D. (hereinafter "respondent"). In particular B.A. alleged poor dental treatment in regards to a crown on tooth #22 and a partial denture. On December 18, 1996, the Board held an investigative inquiry into the matter. Respondent appeared without an attorney and gave testimony and answered questions by members of the Board.

Having reviewed and considered the entire record including an expert report and the testimony of respondent, it appears to the Board that respondent did not conform to standard dental practice in the State of New Jersey. This review disclosed, among other things, that respondent failed to properly design the crown and the partial denture; failed to perform periodontal charting, noting pocket depths and mobility; failed to prepare the crown to receive

the occlusal restoration; and attempted to splint the crown to the incisors by bonding procedures. This conduct constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(c).

It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 5 DAY OF FEBRUARY 1997

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. Respondent shall successfully complete seven (7) hours of continuing education in partial denture design and fourteen (14) hours of continuing education in basic crown and bridge. These courses, which are in addition to the regularly required continuing education hours, shall be approved by the Board in writing prior to attendance, utilizing the attached Pre-Approval Sheet. The courses must be completed within six months of the entry of this Order. Respondent also shall be required to complete the attached Continuing Education Report and Proof of Attendance as proof of successful completion of the required course work. The attached forms are made a part of the within Order, and a separate form is to be used for each course.
- 2. Respondent shall forgive the outstanding balance owed by by B.A.
- 3. Respondent is hereby assessed the costs of the investigation to the State in this matter. When the costs are ascertained, the Executive Director will mail to respondent a Certification of Costs. Within ten days of receipt of the certification, payment shall be made by certified check or money order to the State of New Jersey and shall be submitted to Agnes

Clarke, Executive Director of the Board of Dentistry, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

Anthony Villane, Jr. D.D.S.

President

I have read the within Order and understand its terms. I hereby consent to its entry and to be bound by the Order's terms.

Alice D. Novitt, D.M.D.